

**Urram AGM minutes. 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023. 7.30pm**

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1	<b>Welcome, apologies, and introductions.</b> Present: James Hilder, Elizabeth Carmichael, Gill Calver, Jenni Hodgson, Louise White, Sandra Lawton, Catriona Hunter, Sally Semple, Denise Anderson, James Campbell, Donna Gairns, Tracy Cameron, Aukje Delnooz Apologies: Ali Upton Also in attendance; 9 members of the public.	
2	<b>Minutes of the last Meeting</b> (September 2023) – not available so will be ratified by the Board and confirmed in 2025.	

3	<p><b>Chair's Report-</b> reporting on operations since September 2023 – James Hilder, Louise White and</p> <p><b><u>What we have done</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Befriending service has 4 befriendees and 4 volunteers. 9 clients are waiting for a volunteer.</li> <li>b) Continued to run tea and chat in Ardgour and Acharacle, Community lunches in Lochaline and Ardgour. Tried Community lunches in Kilchoan and Acharacle. Yoga in Treslaig has continued and trialled in Salen.</li> <li>c) Transport continues to grown to 300 journeys in the last year. 18 volunteers, and 90 current users. 15 Car club members.</li> <li>d) Expanded the car fleet with two new EV's and taken over the Lochaline EV.</li> <li>e) Started the car club in Strontian, expanded to Acharacle and soon to run in Lochaline.</li> <li>f) Conducted a questionnaire to see what difference we are making.</li> <li>g) Lobbied NHH to re-recruit for Dail Mhor</li> <li>h) Commissioned a district heating feasibility study</li> <li>i) Explored housing options with Highland Council.</li> <li>j) Submitted a Community Asset Transfer request for the whole building.</li> <li>k) Embarked on a Support in the right direction project- improving the independent support and advice available to those accessing social care. Includes the potential for a 'match making' service for those needing personal assistants.</li> <li>l) Developed an idea for a local care model with NHS Highland- next phase is to design the model.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>What we will continue to do</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) More of the same!</li> <li>2) We need more funding and more volunteers to do more of the same.</li> <li>3) Volunteer recruitment is a big part of the next few months and we will be conducting Drop-in sessions across the peninsulas.</li> </ul>							
4	<p><b>Financial Report</b> <b>Accounts Summary</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Income Expenditure</b></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%;"><b>2023</b></td> <td style="width: 20%;"><b>94189</b></td> <td style="width: 70%;"><b>80,783</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>2024</b></td> <td><b>206743</b></td> <td><b>204093</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>2023</b>	<b>94189</b>	<b>80,783</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>206743</b>	<b>204093</b>	
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5	<p><b>Nominations and election of Trustees</b> Total number allowed:13 Current Trustees: 10. Therefore 3 Vacancies Space for 5 from each community council area plus 8 others. Acharacle is not currently represented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) All existing trustees were re-elected</li> </ul>							

6	<p><b>Notes of Thanks</b></p> <p>Thanks to Staff and Volunteers for growing and developing Urram in to what it is today, and will continue to do so in the year ahead. Thanks to all of our funders, without whom we would not be able to do all that we have done so far.</p>	
7	<p><b>Question/ Suggestions/ Discussion</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) There are a number of publicly funded chargers in the village. Urram should be able to make use of the charge points if we have multiple cars to charge or there are issues with our own charge point.</li> <li>2) EV charging remains a problem at or on route to the hospitals with maximum 40 min charging or cars queuing.</li> <li>3) Gail offered support for drop in sessions- if we wanted to have a volunteer talking about why they enjoy volunteering.</li> </ol>	